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SUBJECT: MINOR CAR CABINET CHANGES

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1. CAR ANNOUNCED MINOR CABINET PROMOTIONS AND ADDITIONS JULY 27. THREE FORMER SECRETARIES OF STATE, ALL OF WHOM HAD BEEN BROUGHT INTO THE CABINET ONLY RECENTLY, WERE PROMOTED TO FULL MINISTERS, WITHOUT A CHANGE IN FUNCTION. ONLY ONE MINISTER WAS DISPLACED.

2. THE PROMOTEES WERE:

A. JEAN-ROBERT ZANA, WHO BECAME ASSISTTANT MINISTER (UNDER PRESIDENT BOKASSA) OF NATIONAL DEFENSE, VETERANS AND WAR VICTIMS.

B. JEAN-JACQUES SAGANZA, WHO BECAME MINISTER AT THE PRESIDENCY IN CHARGE OF THE STATE MOTOR POOL (SIC).

C. MARIE-JOSEE KOSSI-MAYTHONGOL, MINISTER AT THE PRESIDENCY IN CHARGE OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY.

3. THE ADDITIONS WERE:

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A. JOACHIM DA SILVA, MINISTER AT THE PRESIDENCY IN CHARGE OF THE PRESIDENTIAL PRESS, REPLACING VICTOR DEDO TETEYA, WHO HAS APPARENTLY BEEN DROPPED FROM THE CABINET. DA SILVA WAS MINISTER 1970-75 WITH STRONG BACKGROUND IN PRESS AND INFORMATION.

B. CHRISTIAN TOLEQUE, SECRETARY OF STATE AT THE PRESIDENCY IN CHARGE OF PREPARATION OF NATIONAL NEWS AND MOULDING OF JOURNALISTS AND ANNOUNCERS. TOLEQUE WAS MINISTER IN 1975 AND ALSO HAS A BACKGROUND IN INFORMATION.

4. CHANGES ARE CONSISTENT WITH PATTERN OF REGULAR RESHUFFLINGS, EXITS AND RETURNS. THESE LATEST SHIFTS APPEAR TO HAVE LITTLE POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE.
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